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Request for One Month(s) Extension

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

The undersigned attorney respectfully requests a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the Office Action of October 22, 2003. If granted, a response will be due on February 22, 2004.

A check in the amount of the requisite fee, \$110.00, is enclosed, as well as a duplicate copy of this request and a self-addressed return envelopé to facilitate the prompt reply to this request, and a favorable decision is respectfully requested.

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